# Introducing Video Social Stories<sup>™</sup>

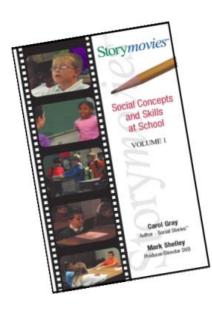
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# Carol Gray, Mark Shelley, & the Special Minds Foundation

# StoryMovies<sup>™</sup> Volume 1 Social Concepts & Skills at School



Carol Gray & Mark Shelley



Imagine combining Carol Gray's social stories with the power of video for our visual learners. That is what has happened with the collaboration between Carol Gray, Mark Shelley, and the Special Minds Foundation. This is the first Volume in the planned series, and covers basic social concepts & skills at school. Future volumes will address a broad range of topics and target young children to adults. The foundation has raised donations to help produce these materials so that the cost to the user can be much lower than otherwise possible for the product.

The Social Concepts & Skills volume will not only be valuable for teachers, but also for parents helping prepare their children for school situations. Additionally, some of the situations are issues for both home and school. The product was designed for children with Aspergers and others on the autism spectrum; however it will also benefit any child with limited social skills.

StoryMovies, Volume 1, targets students developmentally 8-12 years old and includes 25 stories based on 9 movies. There are 2 versions: Standard Edition & Professional Edition. Both versions include the main color version DVD of the 25 stories and a user's guide. The Professional version includes a black & white DVD version that is used for children distracted by color; a raw footage DVD that is useful for additional teaching and testing purposes; and a CD with printable pictures and related activities for generalization, practice, & review.

Since Accelerations Educational Software has a mission to offer effective and affordable products, we are providing the product at a special 33% discount off of list to allow even more teachers and parents to be able to take advantage of this important tool.

"If one picture is worth a thousand words, StoryMovies are worth at least a million!" - DIANE TWACHTMAN-CULLEN Ph.D., Editor-in-Chief, Autism Spectrum Quarterly, Executive Director, ADDCON Center, LLC

"Exceptionally effective teaching tool to engage students in meaningful social learning...a MUST HAVE in your toolbox." - LINDA HODGDON

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# Social Concepts & Skills at School - Versions



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# Social Concepts & Skills at School - Chapters

# Chapter 1: Practice, Mistakes, and Learning

# StoryMovies based on 4 movies

- 1. What is Practice?
- 2. Why Do People Practice?
- 3. Sometimes Mistakes are a Part of Practice
- 4. Mistakes May Happen on the Way to Learning
- 5. Learning is Part of Having a Good Day at School
- 6. Making Mistakes and Having a Good Day at School
- 7. Thomas Edison, Mistakes and Me
- 8. Staying Calm While Taking a Spelling Test
- 9. What is a Homework Assignment?

### Chapter 2: Respect

#### StoryMovies based on 1 movie

- 10. What is Respect?
- 11. Looking and Listening for Respect
- 12. The Respect Collection

### Chapter 3: Finding a Solution

## StoryMovies based on 1 movie

- 13. Telling the Teacher About a Problem
- 14. James Tells his Teacher About a Problem
- 15. Talking to a Teacher with Respect

### **Chapter 4: Permission**

#### StoryMovies based on 1 movie

- 16. It's the Teacher's Decision
  - 17. What is Permission?
  - 18. Students Make Decisions

## Chapter 5: Working in a Small Group

#### StoryMovies based on 1 movie

- 19. Showing Respect for One Another
- 20. Learning to Share Ideas
- 21. Sharing Ideas and Working Together
- 22. What is a Good Question?
- 23. Asking Good Questions
- 24. What do the Questions Mean?

### Chapter 6: Playing a Card Game

StoryMovies based on 1 movie 25. Playing a Card Game **Carol Gray** is the Director of The Gray Center for Social Learning and Understanding in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She recently completed over 22 years of employment with Jenison Public Schools in Jenison, Michigan, initially as a teacher with students with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and in recent years as a consultant to students with ASD in inclusive educational programs. In 1991, Carol developed Social Stories<sup>™</sup> and Comic Strip Conversations strategies that are used worldwide with children, adolescents, and adults with autism spectrum disorders (ASD). She has published several resources on topics related to children and adults with ASD, including articles on bullying, death and dying, and how to teach social understanding. She is the recipient of the Barbara Lipinski Award for her international contribution to the education and welfare of people with ASD.

**Mark Shelley** is the President of The Special Minds Foundation. Prior to starting the non-profit organization Mark spent the previous 20 years in the advertising field. He has won local, regional and national awards as a writer, director, producer and director of broadcast television commercials, political campaigns and corporate multimedia presentations. The Better Business Bureau of South Carolina honored Mark in 2005 by awarding him one of only four Torch Awards. The Torch Award recognizes individuals for high ethical and marketplace integrity. Mark's motivation to dedicate his efforts toward helping children learn social skills is that he has a son with Aspergers.

**The Special Minds Foundation**'s primary mission is to develop, inform, and educate families and professionals about effective and affordable resources and programs for individuals with an autistic spectrum disorder.

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